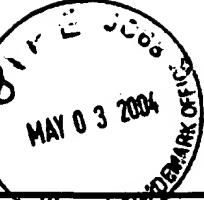


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By: <u>Ryan Rafferty</u>	Date: <u>4/29/04</u>
REPLY/AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL	

Attorney Docket No.	1341.1068
Application Number	09/697,183
Filing Date	October 27, 2001
First Named Inventor	Tadashi OHASHI MAY 06 2004
Group Art Unit	2155 Technology Center 2100
AMOUNT ENCLOSED	86.00
Examiner Name	BRUCKART, BENJAMIN R

FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 10/01/03)

CLAIMS AS AMENDED	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra	Rate	Calculations
TOTAL CLAIMS	16	- 20 =	0	X \$ 18.00 =	\$ 0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	4	- 3 =	1	X \$ 86.00 =	86.00
Since an Official Action set an original due date of April 29, 2004, petition is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$110); 2 months (\$420); 3 months (\$950); 4 months (\$1,480); 5					
If Notice of Appeal is enclosed, add (\$330.00)					
If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee (\$110.00)					
Information Disclosure Statement (Rule 1.17(p)) (\$180.00)					
Total of above Calculations =					
Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27 & 1.28)					
TOTAL FEES DUE =					
(1) If entry (1) is less than entry (2), entry (3) is "0". (2) If entry (2) is less than 20, change entry (2) to "20". (4) If entry (4) is less than entry (5), entry (6) is "0". (5) If entry (5) is less than 3, change entry (5) to "3".					

METHOD OF PAYMENT

- Check enclosed as payment.
- Charge "TOTAL FEES DUE" to the Deposit Account No. below.
- No payment is enclosed and no charges to the Deposit Account are authorized at this time (unless specifically required to obtain a filing date).

GENERAL AUTHORIZATION

- If the above-noted "AMOUNT ENCLOSED" is not correct, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any additional fees necessary to:

Deposit Account No.	19-3935
Deposit Account Name	STAAS & HALSEY LLP
- The Commissioner is also authorized to credit any overpayments or charge any additional fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 CFR 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application, including any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 USC § 120 (e.g., continuations/divisionals/CIPs under 37 CFR 1.53(b) and/or continuations/divisionals/CPAs under 37 CFR 1.53(d)) to maintain pendency hereof or of any such related application.

SUBMITTED BY: STAAS & HALSEY LLP

Typed Name	Ryan Rafferty	Reg. No.	55,556
Signature	<u>Ryan Rafferty</u>	Date	April 29, 2004